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Dear Mr. Gruenberg,

Allowing the Bank of Wal-Mart is a really bad idea! Wal-Mart already has too much power, and a Bank of Wal-Mart would allow an unhealthy amount of commercial and financial power to be held by one organization. I thought we had federal laws prohibiting this kind of monopolism!

Wal-Mart is the wrong kind of organization for this country that prides itself on being democratic and caring for its citizens. Wal-Mart pays poverty wages to its associates and makes health care unaffordable. I find it immoral that Wal-Mart is allowed to pay so poorly, and then to refer its employees to state health care systems to receive medical care. This is unfair to taxpayers who are paying for their own medical coverage. I know of more than one person employed by Wal-Mart who is finding it difficult to make ends meet. One in particular was hired to work full-time, but seldom gets 40 hours.

Wal-Mart is simply bad news for a community. Its stores and superstores force other businesses out, and I can only assume that a Bank of Wal-Mart would force out rival banks. That is down-right dangerous for this country! Say "NO" to the Bank of Wal-mart!

Sincerely,  
Dee Lindblom